

## WHAT TO EXPECT WHEN INSPECTED

## REGULATORY INSPECTIONS

- Pre-inspection and close-out meetings
- Paperwork review
- Walk around and observe site conditions or go through your normal inspection routine

## PAPERWORK

- Do you have the following:
  - A copy of the notice of intent (or application)
  - The permit coverage letter from the North Dakota Department of Health (or EPA if working within tribal boundaries)
  - A copy of the construction general permit, NDR10-0000
  - The stormwater pollution prevention plan (SWPPP) for the project
  - Stormwater inspection records for the project
- If you don't have these items readily available, can you send them to us in a reasonable amount of time.
  - Typically within 3 days
  - Before we ask for them in a letter
- Was the project covered by the permit before construction started

## SWPPP

- Is the plan complete
- Is it being implemented
- Does it match the site conditions
  - Remember, it is a living document and can be changed as the project progresses



## YOUR INSPECTIONS

- Are inspections being conducted according to the construction general permit
- Are they being done according to the SWPPP
- Are you looking at everything you're supposed to
  - Are erosion and sediment controls **identified in the plan** operating correctly and in servicable condition
  - Are you looking at discharge outlets from
    - Material storage areas
    - Permanent stormwater controls (e.g., detention ponds, rain gardens)
    - Vehicle maintenance areas
  - Is there evidence of, **or the potential for**, pollutants entering a drainage system

## WALK SITE

- Take notes, inspectors will let you know what violations they see
- Important to correct violations, immediately
  - BMP, paperwork, management and operations
  - Economic advantage for non-compliance can be considered in penalty calculations and is time sensitive
- Document your corrections and send them to the inspector right away

## INSPECTION REPORT

- An initial inspection report will be sent out following the inspection
  - Typically within 45 days
  - Includes observations, violations, corrective actions that have been taken, and items that have to be corrected still
  - May be required to respond, show additional corrections or submit additional information within 30 days of the report
  - Any information or reports submitted must include a certification statement (found in the permit), "I certify under penalty of law..."
- After that...could get nothing, could get something

## Questions?

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